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HB 2010 (Chapter 48 E): adoption; health information; update

An emergency measure that requires the Arizona Department of Child Safety, an agency or person placing a child to notify an adoptee or if under 18, the adoptees parents of the receipt of any supplemental information received from a member of the birth family.

Effective: March 18, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2016 (Chapter 287): child care assistance; education; training

Allows the Arizona Department of Economic Security to waive all or a portion of the work requirement to continue providing child care assistance when a person meets prescribed educational and training requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2047 (Chapter 72): insurance; optometrists; contracts; covered services

States that a contract between an optometrist and a specified health insurer cannot require the optometrist to provide services based on a fee set by the health insurer unless the fee applies to a covered service.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2098 (Chapter 364): NOW: missing children; law enforcement; reporting

Outlines procedures for law enforcement agencies that receive reports of missing, kidnapped or runaway children.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2126 (Chapter 77): rural providers; loan repayment program

Exempts an Indian health service or tribal or urban Indian health facility from sliding fee scale requirements to be eligible for specified loan repayment programs.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2266 (Chapter 259): medical assistants; training requirements

Specifies that training requirements for an allopathic, naturopathic and osteopathic medical assistant are satisfied by a training program that: 1) is designed and offered by a physician; 2) meets or exceeds any of the approved training program requirements specified in rule; 3) verifies the entry-level competencies of a medical assistant as specified by rule; and 4) provides written verification to the individual of successful completion of the training.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2298 (Chapter 419 RFEIR): medical marijuana; research; grants

Directs the Arizona Biomedical Research Centre to provide grants for marijuana clinical trials. Contains a Proposition 105 clause.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2311 (Chapter 50 E): laboratory procedures; chiropractors

An emergency measure that adds nasal swabs, oral swabs and sputum collection as clinical diagnostic laboratory procedures that can be performed by a chiropractor in order to determine a regimen of chiropractic care or to refer patients to other licensed health care professionals.

Effective: March 18, 2021

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HB 2386 (Chapter 422): NOW: crisis standards of care; plans

Establishes requirements for a crisis standards of care plan adopted by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2392 (Chapter 81): AHCCCS; graduate medical education; reimbursement

Requires the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to establish, beginning March 1, 2022, a separate graduate medical education program to reimburse qualifying community health centers and rural health clinics with an approved primary care graduate medical education program. Specifies payment methodologies and reimbursement requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2399 (Chapter 45 E): department of child safety; fees

An emergency measure that allows the Department of Child Safety to establish and collect fees from noncontracting licensees and establishes the Child Welfare Licensing Fee Fund.

Effective: March 17, 2021

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HB 2410 (Chapter 195): safe havens; newborn infant age

Increases the age of newborn infants who qualify under safe haven protocols from 72 hours old to 30 days old.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2454 (Chapter 320 E): telehealth; health care providers; requirements

An emergency measure that requires all contracts issued by specified health insurers to provide coverage for health care services that are provided through telehealth. Adds the definition for telehealth and establishes the Telehealth Advisory Committee on Telehealth Best Practices.

Effective: May 5, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

HB 2521 (Chapter 86): long-term care; health aides

Establishes licensed health aide services as a covered home and community-based service under the Arizona Long-Term Care System. Provides application requirements and fees for a licensed health aide. Stipulates that the licensed health aid services may be provided only by a parent, guardian or family member who is a licensed health aide employed by a Medicare-certified home health agency service provider.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2547 (Chapter 198): dental hygienists; affiliated practice.

Requires an affiliated practice agreement between a dental hygienist and a dentist to identify: 1) the conditions under which the dental hygienist may administer local anesthesia and provide root planning; and 2) circumstances under which the affiliated practice dental hygienist must consult with the affiliated practice dentist before initiating further treatment on patients who have not been seen by a dentist within 12 months after the initial treatment by the dental hygienist.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2561 (Chapter 237): psychologists; licensure requirements

Makes the Psychological Clinical Science Accreditation System an acceptable accreditation for a psychology license applicant.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2575 (Chapter 321 W/O): hospitals; visitation

Requires hospitals to facilitate clergy visitation of patients.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2585 (Chapter 323): occupational therapists; fingerprint clearance cards.

Beginning January 1, 2022, requires an applicant for licensure as an occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant to possess a valid fingerprint clearance card.

Effective: January 1, 2022.

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HB 2605 (Chapter 439 E RFEIR): medical marijuana; testing

Modifies the list of contaminants that a nonprofit medical marijuana dispensary must test for before selling or dispensing marijuana or marijuana products. Requires the Arizona Department of Health Services to adopt rules prohibiting a marijuana testing facility from having any direct or indirect familial or financial relationship or interest in a marijuana establishment or related marijuana business entity or management company. Requires the Medical Marijuana Testing Advisory Council to annually review the marijuana testing programs and submit a report as outlined. Contains a Proposition 105 clause.

Effective: July 10, 2021.

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HB 2615 (Chapter 165): epinephrine injections; first responders immunity

Allows a first responder who is trained in administering epinephrine injections to administer an epinephrine injection to a person believed to be experiencing anaphylaxis pursuant to a standing order issued by specified health care professionals.

Effective: September 29, 2021.

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HB 2621 (Chapter 115): prior authorization; uniform request forms

Requires the Arizona Department of Insurance, by January 1, 2022, to approve a uniform prior authorization request form for prescription drugs, devices or durable medical equipment and a uniform prior authorization request form for all other health care procedures, treatments and services. States that all providers, by January 1, 2023, must use only the approved uniform prior authorization request forms and that all health care services plans utilization review agents must accept and process prior authorization requests submitted using the approved uniform prior authorization request forms.

Effective: September 29, 2021.

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HB 2622 (Chapter 89): nonretaliation policies; health care institutions

Prohibits a third-party contractor of a health care institution from taking retaliatory action against a health professional.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2624 (Chapter 324): public officials; entities; civil liability

Establishes that a public entity is not liable for damages as a result of an injury caused by any act or omission by a public officer who renders emergency care gratuitously and in good faith under specified circumstances.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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HB 2633 (Chapter 265): NOW: long-term care services; allowed practitioner

Permits a certified nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist or physician assistant to order home health services.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1001 (Chapter 52): breast implant surgery; informed consent

Requires, beginning January 1, 2022, a licensed physician to provide a patient, in either writing or an electronic format and prior to breast implant surgery, with specified breast implant information. Requires physicians to obtain written informed consent from a patient before performing breast implant surgery.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1011 (Chapter 54): maternal mental health; advisory committee.

Establishes the Maternal Mental Health Advisory Committee to recommend improvements for screening and treating maternal mental health disorders.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1013/HB 2258 (Chapter 12): dental board; licenses; certificates; renewals

Beginning January 1, 2022, makes the expiration, renewal application and fee date for a licensed dental professional 30 days after the licensee's or certificate holder's birthday every third year.

Effective: January 1, 2022.

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SB 1015/HB 2292 (Chapter 13): physician assistants; licensure; board.

Permits the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants to issue a new license to a physician assistant whose license was previously surrendered under a specified circumstance.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1016 (Chapter 119): physicians; naturopathic medicine

Updates various statutes to include the services of naturopathic physicians.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1017 (Chapter 55): informed consent; pelvic examinations

Prohibits a licensed physician, nurse practitioner or a physician assistant from performing or supervising a pelvic examination on an anesthetized or unconscious patient without obtaining the patient's informed consent, unless the pelvic examination meets prescribed requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1018 (Chapter 56): DCS; report requirement

Requires the Arizona Department of Child Safety and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to report, by December 31, 2021, to the Chairpersons of the Health and Human Services Committee in both the House of Representatives and the Senate information regarding adoptive children with complex trauma.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1019 (Chapter 329): dependent children; nonoperating identification; photograph

Requires a child welfare agency that receives, for care and maintenance, a child who has been adjudicated dependent to obtain the following within 90 days after the child's placement: 1) a nonoperating identification license; or 2) a photograph if the child does not qualify for a nonoperating identification.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1048 (Chapter 308): health care ministries; exemption; definition

Removes the requirement for a health care sharing ministry, or its predecessor, to have been in existence and sharing member medical expenses continuously and without interruption since December 31, 1999.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1059 (Chapter 225): mental disorders; considerations; involuntary treatment

Outlines circumstances in which a person may not be eligible for court-ordered involuntary treatment.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1082 (Chapter 429): pharmacists; dispensing authority; hormonal contraceptives

Allows a pharmacist to dispense a self-administered hormonal contraceptive to a patient who is at least 18 years old under a standing prescription drug order without any other patient specific prescription drug order. Establishes dispensing and rulemaking requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1085 (Chapter 60): nursing-supported group homes; licensure

Requires nursing-supported group homes operated in Arizona by service providers contracted through the Arizona Department of Economic Security to be licensed by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1087 (Chapter 226): NOW: pharmacy board; regulation

Modifies various requirements relating to the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1088 (Chapter 61): controlled substances; schedule designations

Requires the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy to adopt by rule the schedule I, II, III, IV and V controlled substances listed in the Controlled Substances Act and amend the rules to reflect any changes in the controlled substance designations.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1089 (Chapter 62): behavioral health professionals; unauthorized practice

Modifies licensure requirements for professions regulated by the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners. Establishes penalties for actions related to acts of unauthorized practice within the behavioral health professions.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1090 (Chapter 63): outpatient treatment centers; behavioral health

Allows, under certain circumstances, an employee of a licensed outpatient treatment center to provide behavioral health services at a private office or clinic operated by an exempt health care provider.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1091 (Chapter 239): controlled substances monitoring program; delegates

Allows the Arizona Board of Pharmacy to release data collected by the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program to specified entities and individuals.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1092 (Chapter 276): deaf; hard of hearing; deafblind

Requires the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (Commission) to act as a bureau of information for the deafblind. Prescribes certain duties and recommendation requirements of the Commission.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1094 (Chapter 122): substance abuse treatment; AHCCCS

Transfers the administrative responsibility of the Arizona Families in Recovery Succeeding Together Program from the Arizona Department of Health Services to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1096 (Chapter 64): NOW: supplemental appropriations; AHCCCS administration

Appropriates \$3,011,164,500 in expenditure authority and \$27,177,400 from the Children's Health Insurance Program Fund to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System administration for adjustments in funding formula requirements and implementation of the assessment on hospital revenues.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1141/HB 2290 (Chapter 15): health care institutions; accreditation; inspections

Clarifies the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services may accept an accreditation report in lieu of a compliance inspection of a health care institution only if both apply: 1) the institution is accredited by an independent, nonprofit accrediting organization approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and 2) the institution has not been subject to an enforcement action within the year preceding the annual licensing fee anniversary date.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1170 (Chapter 278): board of pharmacy; rulemaking authority.

Amends the definition of pharmacy and eliminates the rule making requirements for oral fluoride varnish and tobacco cessation drug therapies.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1219 (Chapter 137): donated medicine; requirements

Establishes requirements and procedures for the donation, transfer, receipt and facilitation of donated medicine.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1220 (Chapter 205): mental health professionals; trauma counseling

Modifies the definition of a licensed mental health professional as it relates to traumatic event counseling for peace officers and firefighters.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1225 (Chapter 207): DCS; legislator briefings; staff member

Allows a legislator's presiding officer to authorize a legislative staff member to attend with a legislator any meeting to review an Arizona Department of Child Safety case file.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1244 (Chapter 208): NOW: developmental disabilities advisory council

Prescribes requirements for the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Council, the Division of Developmental Disabilities, the Arizona Department of Economic Security and the Arizona Department of Administration.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1250 (Chapter 382): overdose; disease prevention; programs

Allows a city, town, county or nongovernmental organization, including a local health department or an organization that promotes scientifically proven ways of mitigating health risks associated with drug use and other high-risk behaviors, to establish and operate an overdose and disease prevention program. Outlines prevention program objectives and requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1253 (Chapter 210): psychology board; licensure; fingerprinting

Beginning January 1, 2022, requires applicants for licensure as psychologists and behavioral analysts to apply for a fingerprint clearance card.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1254 (Chapter 279): website; adoption information; task force

Requires the Arizona Department of Health Services, beginning February 1, 2022, to provide specified adoption information on its website. Establishes the Adoption Promotion Task Force and outlines membership and its duties.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1255 (Chapter 312): acupuncture board; members; auricular acupuncture

Modifies the Acupuncture Board of Examiners (Board) membership and allows the Board to issue acupuncture detoxification specialist certificates, rather than auricular acupuncture certificates.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1270 (Chapter 431): insurance; prescription drugs; step therapy

Outlines clinical review criteria and exception request requirements for health care insurers that implement step therapy protocol for prescription drugs.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1271 (Chapter 354 W/O): NOW: medical graduate transitional training permits

Requires the Arizona Medical Board and the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery to grant one-year transitional training permits to qualified applicants and establishes eligibility, qualification and supervision requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1278 (Chapter 213): health professionals; preceptorships

Requires the Arizona Medical Board, the Arizona State Board of Nursing, the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery and the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants to develop a preceptorship awareness campaign that educates licensed health professionals on how to become and the benefits of being a medical preceptor for students.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1281 (Chapter 313): developmental disabilities advisory council; continuation

Continues the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Council for eight years, until July 1, 2029.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1283 (Chapter 300): podiatry board; continuation

Continues the Arizona State Board of Podiatry Examiners for eight years, until July 1, 2029.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1284 (Chapter 301): occupational licensing; licensure; fingerprinting

Requires applicants for podiatry licensure, occupational therapist and occupational therapy assistant licensure and athletic training licensure to possess a valid fingerprint clearance card. Modifies licensure and licensing board requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1347 (Chapter 245): state employees; health; accident; insurance

Modifies reporting requirements for the Arizona Department of Administration regarding the financial status of the Special Employee Health Insurance Trust Fund.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1357 (Chapter 247): pharmacy board; nonprescription drugs; diversion

Exempts licensees and permittees of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy from civil penalties and disciplinary action from failure to disclose specified criminal charges.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1373 (Chapter 314): health facilities; duty of care

Requires each health care institution, in accordance with a resident's advance directives, to: 1) initiate CPR before the arrival of emergency medical services to a resident who is nonresponsive or has a cessation of normal respiration; and 2) provide appropriate first aid before the arrival of emergency medical services to a resident who is in distress and to a noninjured resident who has fallen, appears to be uninjured and is unable to reasonably recover independently. Requires each health care institution to develop and administer a training program for all staff regarding fall prevention and fall recovery.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1388 (Chapter 355): behavioral health facilities; respite; exemptions

Exempts behavioral health residential facilities or outpatient clinics from certain licensure requirements regarding children receiving respite services.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1416 (Chapter 349): health professionals; off-label use; medications

Modifies the definition of a lawful health care service to include the off-label use of medications during a public health emergency.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1417 (Chapter 377): health care directives; contact orders

Establishes requirements regarding contact orders and principals of health care directives.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1458 (Chapter 250): speech-language pathologists; assistants

Instructs the Director of the Arizona Department of Health Services to appoint an advisory committee to assist in the examining of applicants for a hearing aid dispenser license and other specified duties. Modifies licensure requirements for hearing aid dispensers and supervision requirements for speech-language pathology assistants.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1466 (Chapter 180): family caregiver grant program

Modifies qualifying expenses, family member eligibility and reapplication requirements related to the Family Caregiver Grant Program.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1486 (Chapter 372): drug paraphernalia; definition; testing equipment

Modifies the definition of drug paraphernalia to exclude narcotic drug testing products that are used to determine whether a controlled substance contains fentanyl or a fentanyl analog.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1505 (Chapter 219 E): health information; disclosures; prohibition

An emergency measure that allows the Arizona Department of Health Services to release identifying immunization information to: 1) an external quality review organization or any other entity that has a business associate agreement with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System; and 2) a nonprofit health information organization that is designated by the Arizona Department of Health Services as Arizona's official health information exchange organization.

Effective: April 9, 2021

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SB 1604 (Chapter 181): remote dispensing pharmacies; rural hospitals

Permits hospitals with fewer than 50 beds located in counties with a population of less than 500,000 persons, with the written approval and recommendations of the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy, to operate a remote dispensing site pharmacy under the remote supervision of a pharmacist while the pharmacy is open for pharmacy services.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1833/HB 2902 (Chapter 386 RFEIR): marijuana; laboratories; proficiency testing

Requires the Arizona Department of Health Services, beginning January 1, 2023, to conduct proficiency testing and remediate problems with independent third-party laboratories and marijuana testing facilities. Contains a Proposition 105 clause.

Effective: September 29, 2021

Click [here](#) for bill history.

SB 1834/HB 2903 (Chapter 387 RFEIR): marijuana; inspections; licensing; financial ownership

Allows the Arizona Department of Health Services to perform unannounced inspections of a nonprofit medical marijuana dispensary. Establishes a license renewal date for dual licensees. Contains a Proposition 105 clause.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1838/HB 2909 (Chapter 389): unborn child; statutory language

Replaces statutory references of *product of human conception* with *unborn child* as it relates to disposition-transmit permits, fetal death certificates and parental consent for abortion.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1845/HB 2919 (Chapter 396): nutrition assistance; benefit match

Requires the Arizona Department of Economic Security to implement a Produce Incentive Program for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program enrollees.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1848/HB 2910 (Chapter 399): emergency shelter beds; seniors

Requires the Arizona Department of Housing to: 1) provide emergency shelter beds in western Maricopa County to shelter and service homeless seniors who are at least 55 years old; and 2) contract with a single Arizona nonprofit that meets certain requirements.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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SB 1851/HB 2912 (Chapter 402): Arizona state hospital; admission; governance

Establishes the Joint Legislative Psychiatric Hospital Review Council. Modifies what must be included in the Arizona State Hospital financial and programmatic report. Requires the Arizona Department of Health Services to issue a request for information for an Arizona State Hospital surveillance system.

Effective: September 29, 2021

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